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Fugitive Dust

Fugitive dust means the generation of particulate matter to the extent that some portion of the material escapes beyond the property line or boundaries of the property, right-of-way, or easement on which the source is located regardless of whether from a single operation or a number of operations. Simply, if at least fifty percent (50%) of the dust can be breathed in or is visible crossing the right-of-way, it is fugitive dust.

The patching and widening of concrete may generate fugitive dust. Indiana code states that fugitive dust from construction or demolition where **every reasonable precaution has been taken in minimizing fugitive dust emissions** is exempted from the fugitive dust rule. This code also provides some fugitive dust control measures. These include spraying with water or treating with an approved oil or chemical dust suppressant. These precautions are especially important on dry, windy days. The contractor must take every reasonable precaution to ensure that dust does not cross the right-of-way.

See the Fugitive Dust Section of the Laws and Regulations Section for detailed information.